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SUBJECT: FRG VIEWS ON POSSIBLE REMOVAL OF AFCENT

HEADQUARTERS FROM NETHERLANDS

REF: USNATO 4544

ADMIRAL TREBESCH (FMOD CHIEF, POL/MIL AFFAIRS) TOLD US A FEW DAYS AGO THAT THE FRG HAS NOT YET COME TO A DECISION ABOUT THE CONSOLIDATION OF 2 ATAF AND 4 ATAF HEADQUARTERS ON THE POSSIBLE MOVE OF AFCENT TO RAMSTEIN. HE SAID THE FRG IS IN ABSOLUTE AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. ON THE NEED TO SOLVE THE TACAIR COMMAND AND CONTROL PROBLEM, AND WOULD BE GENERALLY SYMPATHETIC FOR COMMAND AND CONTROL REASONS TO CO-LOCATE AFCENT WITH A CONSOLIDATED OR REORGANIZED AIR HEADQUARTERS. HOWEVER, HE NOTED THAT THE AFCENT MOVE FROM THE NETHERLANDS, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE IT WOULD MOVE A NATO HIGH COMMAND INTO GERMAN TERRITORY, HAS IMPORTANT
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POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS WHICH NEED STUDY. IN ADDITION,

THE VARIOUS PROPOSALS NOW UNDER CONSIDERATION WOULD
NEED ADDITIONAL FUNDS. THE MATTER IS NOW BEING
CONSIDERED BY ADMIRAL ZIMMERMANN, AND ANY DECISION
WOULD PRESUMABLY NEED CLEARANCE BY MINISTER LEBER.
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